issue the sanction order for release of foodgrains. The State Government has furnished the district-wise allocation of foodgrains, while the relevant notification has not been made available to the Government of India.

Repeal of Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958

1552. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are in the process of seriously considering Justice Jeewan Reddy Committee recommendations to repeal the Armed Forces Special Powers Act, now in force in North Eastern States;

(b) whether to fill in the vaccum in the wake of repeal of AFSPA, Government propose to amend the Unlawful Activities Act, to provide immunity to security personnel engaged in counter-unsurgency operations in NE; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) The report of the Committee headed by Justice B.P. Jeevan Peddy, former Judge of the Supreme Court of India set up by Ministry of Home Affairs to review the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 as amended in 1972 is under examination.

Domestic Violence Bill

1553. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Domestic Violence Bill will be adequate to protect our women due to the way in which Indian Criminal Justice system works;

(b) whether Government are considering to simplify the Criminal Procedure Code with a view to making it time and cost-effective especially while dispensing justice to vulnerable sections like women, children, etc.; and

(c) how many amendments have so far been made to the Indian Penal Code?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a)The Provisions of the Domestic Violence Act, 2005 are considered to be adequate to address the problem of domestic violence against women. However, there is a need to create awareness on this Act among the general public and also to sensitize the Judiciary, the Police and Civil administration, which would be a continuous process.

(b) The review and amendment of Criminal Laws (including Criminal Procedure Code) is a continuous process. The Code of Criminal (Amendment) Act, 2005 is a recent amendment which, *inter alia,* has a few provisions relating to Justice for women.

(c) The Indian Penal Code, 1860 is on the Concurrent List of the Constitution of India. Both the Parliament and the State Legislature amend the Code. However record of exact number of amendments from the year 1860 till date is not available in this Ministry.

Terrorist violence

1554. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any action plan to tackle terrorist violence in States;

(b) if so, the details of terrorist in sleeper cells, nodules and active in States, number of terrorist attacks, foiled attacks, people, security person died and wounded for last three years, year-wise, State-wise and category-wise; and

(c) the details of States which are 'soft' for terrorist attack and border States which are facing a potential threat of terrorism and also the details of projects and financial assistance sought and sanctioned to these States against terrorism, for the last three years, State-wise, year-wise and category-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The Government pursues a multi-dimensional approach to deal with terrorist activities and extends support to the States in neutralizing such terrorist activities. The multi-pronged strategy gives primacy to dialogue, democratic, political processes and the rule of law. In order to curb terrorist activities, the Government has